



## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

[Docket ID DoD-2021-OS-0018]

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, Department of Defense (DoD).

**ACTION:** Information collection notice.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the *Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995*, the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness announces a proposed public information collection and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. Comments are invited on: whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

**DATES:** Consideration will be given to all comments received by [insert 60 days from publication of this notice in the Federal Register].

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments, identified by docket number and title, by any of the following methods:

Federal eRulemaking Portal: <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

Mail: The DoD cannot receive written comments at this time due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Comments should be sent electronically to the docket listed above.

*Instructions:* All submissions received must include the agency name, docket number and title for this Federal Register document. The general policy for comments and other submissions from members of the public is to make these submissions available for public viewing on the Internet at <http://www.regulations.gov> as they are received without change, including any personal identifiers or contact information.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** To request more information on this proposed information collection or to obtain a copy of the proposal and associated collection instruments, please write to Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP), Mark Center Suite 05E22, Alexandria, VA 22350-5000, Benjamin Sweeney, 202-680-3015.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**TITLE; ASSOCIATED FORM; AND OMB NUMBER:** Federal Post Card Application (FPCA); SF 76; OMB Control Number 0704-0503

**NEEDS AND USES:** The Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act (UOCAVA), 52 U.S.C. § 203, requires the Presidential designee (Secretary of Defense) to prescribe an official form containing an absentee voter registration and ballot request application for use by the States to permit absent uniformed services voters and overseas voters to participate in general, special, primary and runoff elections for Federal office. The FPCA is completed in hardcopy or via the Federal Voting Assistance Program's (FVAP) online assistant ([fvap.gov](http://fvap.gov)), and then submitted by the voter to an Election Official through mail, email, or fax (depending on State instructions).

**AFFECTED PUBLIC:** Individuals or households

**ANNUAL BURDEN HOURS:** 300,000

**NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS:** 1,200,000

**RESPONSES PER RESPONDENT:** 1

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**AVERAGE BURDEN PER RESPONSE:** 15 minutes

**FREQUENCY:** On occasion

The respondents are absent uniformed services voters and overseas voters. The collected information will be retained by election officials to provide election materials, including absentee ballots, to the uniformed services, their eligible family members and overseas voters during the form's eligibility period provided by State law.

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